



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF BASSANO  
HELD IN PERSON ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2025 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS.**

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**ELECTED OFFICIALS**

MAYOR Irvin Morey  
DEPUTY MAYOR John Slomp  
COUNCILLORS Kevin Jones  
Sydney Miller  
Mike Wetzstein

STAFF Amanda Davis, Chief Administrative Officer  
Sydney Smith, Recreation & Community Services Liaison

DELEGATES/PUBLIC Grant McCargar, Resident  
Tom McPhail, Resident  
Kathy Johnson, Resident  
Mike Phillips, Resident  
Tammy Clegg, Resident  
Dwayne Kuss, Resident  
Mike Maguire, Resident  
Sandra Stanway, Brooks Bulletin (virtual)

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Morey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. EXCUSED FROM MEETING**

- Sydney Miller

**3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**TOB112/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the agenda is approved as presented.


**CARRIED**

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 Adoption of minutes from the regular meeting of July 14, 2025**

**TOB113/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the July 14, 2025 minutes are approved as presented.

  
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**CARRIED**

**5. DELEGATIONS**

**5.1 Public Hearing – Land Use Bylaw Amendment 949/25 – 6:30 p.m.**

Mayor Morey called the public hearing to order at 6:30 p.m.

CAO Davis presented Land Use Bylaw Amendment 949/25. Mayor Morey opened the floor for public discussion.

The public hearing ended at 6:45 p.m.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**6.1 BUILD Bassano 2024 Development Projects**

**TOB114/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council gives second reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 949/25 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**TOB115/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that council gives third reading to Land Use Bylaw Amendment 949/25.

**CARRIED**

**TOB116/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that 822 – 5A Avenue (Plan 151 0415; Block 52; Lot 6, Roll 464000) is repriced at \$1.50/SF = \$20,000 (reference motion TOB101/24) based on changed site conditions and the partial foundation remaining upon demolition of the former water pump house.


**CARRIED**

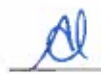
**6.2 Core Infrastructure Renewal Program – RFP Award**

**TOB117/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council accepts the recommendation from the RFP Review Committee and awards the Core Infrastructure Renewal Program for Engineering Services (TOB/CIRP25-34 – Eng/Des) to ISL Engineering thereby directing administration to complete contract terms and to formally initiate the project.

**CARRIED**

**TOB118/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that council accepts the recommendation from the RFP Review Committee and awards the Core Infrastructure Renewal Program for Construction Contractor Services (TOB/CIRP25-34 – Contractor ) to Bullin Construction

  
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Co. Ltd. thereby directing administration to complete contract terms and to formally initiate the project.

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**6.3 Regional Emergency Management Bylaw 948/25 – Proposed**

**TOB119/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council gives second reading to Regional Emergency Management Bylaw 948/25 as amended.

**CARRIED**

**TOB120/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that council gives third reading to Regional Emergency Management Bylaw 948/25.

**CARRIED**

**6.4 Intermunicipal Affairs Committee – Terms of Reference – Proposed**

**TOB121/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that the Town of Bassano Council endorse the Terms of Reference for the Intermunicipal Affairs Committee as presented, to take effect following the 2025 municipal elections, and to direct Administration to work with partner municipalities to coordinate its formal adoption.

**CARRIED**

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

**7.1 2026 Fortis Alberta Franchise Agreement Fee**

**TOB122/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the Town of Bassano maintains the Fortis Alberta Electrical Distribution System Franchise Fee at 14.40% in 2026.

**CARRIED**

**7.2 2026 ATCO Franchise Agreement Fee**


**TOB123/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that the Town of Bassano maintains the ATCO Gas Distribution System Franchise Fee at 25.0% in 2026.


**CARRIED**

**7.3 Commercial Bulk Water Adjustment Request**

**TOB124/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council acknowledges receipt of the letter dated August 18, 2025 from Ry Bar Oilfield Services regarding a bulk water rate adjustment between February 1, 2025 and May 30, 2025 and approves the request. For the listed period, the 19,791.79/m3 purchased will be billed at \$5.64/m3; administration shall complete the necessary accounting.

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**7.4 Residential Water Consumption Dispute – Roll 79000**

**TOB125/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that council acknowledges receipt of the email dated June 5, 2025 from the property owner of Roll 79000 (406 – 4 Avenue; Plan 3154AC, Block 16, Lot 19) disputing 113.9 meters cubed of water consumption. Having reviewed the account facts, council declines the dispute upholding the charge of \$318.92. Water meters are municipal property and are not to be tampered with. Files did not indicate issues with the water meter beginning in 2000 carrying forward for 25 years.

**CARRIED**

**7.5 Columbarium Burials Policy P-TOB56/001-25 – Proposed**

**TOB126/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council approves policy P-TOB56/001-25 Cemetery – Columbarium Burials as presented.

**CARRIED**

**7.6 Cemetery Plot Fee Schedule Policy P-TOB56/002-25 – Proposed**

**TOB127/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** that council rescinds Cemetery Fee Bylaw 613 effective immediately.

**CARRIED**

**TOB128/25** Moved by **DEPUTY MAYOR SLOMP** that council approves policy P-TOB56/002-25 Cemetery Plot Fee Schedule Policy as presented.

**CARRIED**

Sydney Smith, Recreation and Community Services Liaison entered the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

**7.7 Thrive Fitness Centre – Bassano Beavers Request**

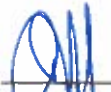
**TOB129/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council welcomes and acknowledges the value of the Bassano Beaver’s bring to the community and counters their proposal for reduced rates offering the a flat rate of \$5,000 for use of the Thrive Fitness Centre located at 317 – 2 Avenue for the 2025-2026 season (October 1, 2025 – April 30, 2026).


**CARRIED**

Smith departed at 7:45 p.m.

**8. BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**8.1 – 8.6** Written board and committee reports were presented and discussed.

  
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**TOB130/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** to accept the Board and Committee reports as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

**CARRIED**

**9. CAO REPORTS**

**9.1 Operations Report**

A written CAO report was provided for the period ending August 31, 2025.

**9.2 Financial Statements**

Financial statements for the months ending June 30, 2025 and July 31, 2025 were presented.

**9.3 Cheque Listings**

A cheque listing for the months ending June 30, 2025 and July 31, 2025 were presented.

**9.4 FCSS Report**

An FCSS Director report for the period of July – August 2025 was presented.

**9.5 Recreation & Community Services Liaison Report**

Smith re-entered the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

A Recreation & Community Services Liaison report for the period of July – August 2025 was presented.

Councillor Wetzstein abstained from voting.

**TOB131/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** that council agrees to contribute \$2,100 towards the purchase of a new cooler at the Joint Use Facility as requested by the Arena Management Board (AMB). The AMB shall contribute the remaining balance of approximately \$1,200.

**CARRIED**


Councillor Wetzstein re-entered the meeting.


Smith departed at 8:13 p.m.

**9.6 CPO Report**

A CPO report for the months ending July 31, 2025 and August 31, 2025 were presented.

**9.7 RCMP Report**

  
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Bassano RCMP reports for period of July 31, 2025 and August 31, 2025 were presented.

**TOB132/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that the CAO report for the period ending August 31, 2025 is approved as presented and discussed as attached to and forming parts of these minutes.

**CARRIED**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

**10.1-10.9** Items of correspondence were presented and discussed.

**TOB133/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR WETZSTEIN** that approves the request from the Bassano Rodeo Committee to donate the Bassano Community Hall rental fees for the Cabaret Fundraiser on March 14, 2026. The fundraiser continues their efforts to improve the Bassano Rodeo Arena and Grounds. All rental agreements and insurances must be completed.

**CARRIED**

**TOB134/25** Moved by **COUNCILLOR JONES** to approve the list of correspondence and to file it as information.

**CARRIED**

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

None



**12. ROUND TABLE**

A round table discussion ensued.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

**TOB135/25** Moved by **MAYOR MOREY** for adjournment of the regular council meeting of September 15, 2025 at 8:20 p.m.

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